

Daily Programs and Events

Cultural Demonstrations

Daily 10am-4pm

Painted Desert Inn National Historic Landmark

Find Your Park

Anytime at www.findyourpark.com/share

Celebrate the National Park Service's Centennial by sharing your story!

Geocaching and Earthcaching

Selected locations during park hours

Worldwide game of hiding and seeking virtual 'treasure', and anyone with a GPS device can play!

Junior Ranger Program

Anytime during park hours. (Pick-up a booklet at any park Visitor Center)

Junior Rangers explore, learn about, and protect their National Parks!

Junior Paleontologist Program

Anytime during park hours. (Pick-up a booklet at any park Visitor Center)

Explore the ways Paleontologist work, learn about Earth's history, and protect our national parks!

Painted Desert Inn Tour

Anytime between 9am-4pm

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October 2016 Events

Petrified Forest Field Institute Programs

Additional fee is required. Contact Petrified Forest Field Institute at (928) 524-6228 ext. 239 or visit <http://www.petrifiedforestfieldinstitute.org/> for additional information.

Sat Oct 1 and Sat Oct 22 1pm-5pm Shapes and Colors of the Painted Desert

Bring a canvas or some paper and your favorite art medium to explore the light and shadows, colors and shapes of the inspiring and compelling vistas of the Painted Desert. For students of all levels of experience, the vistas provide endless inspiration to artists of any style.

Sat Oct 8 2pm-6pm Every Picture Tells a Story: Photo Journaling

There really is a story behind any series of travel photos and that story deserves to be journaled. Practice documenting your thoughts and impressions, emotional responses and changed perspectives to add so much more than just a written narrative to your photographs.

Mon Oct 10 7:30am- 12pm Abstract Design: Monochrome Photography in the Petrified Forest

Discover the simple beauty of the natural design in monochromatic images of this ancient landscape. This workshop introduces seeing things in a different way. Through careful composition and exposure settings, transform landscapes into abstract designs of shape and tonal values and of light and dark.

Sat Oct 15 9am-1pm Sketching the Past: Puerco Crossroads

Guided line drawing exercises combined with independent art experiences will allow students to focus on subjects that invoke an emotional response and release, stirring the creative mind within the ancient surroundings of Puerco Pueblo.

Sun Oct 30 9am-5pm In the Land of Color: Exploring the Devil's Playground

Join an all-day hike to the unique and little-visited Devil's Playground area to explore its geology, paleontology, history, flora and fauna. Devil's Playground is accessible to few people every year and is an extraordinary landscape.

Fri Oct 14 7pm John Muir: University of the Wilderness

Northland Pioneer College, Snowflake campus (1611 S. Main St, Snowflake, AZ 85937)

To celebrate the Centennial of the National Park Service, Northland Pioneer College and Petrified Forest National Park are offering chamber music of the internationally acclaimed Chance Ensemble to present a narrative concert honoring John Muir, one of the country's most influential naturalists. The show's musical landscape is described as "a place where contemporary, classical and Celtic music beautifully collide." To reserve free tickets, go to <http://www.npc.edu/form-Performing-Arts-Tickets>.

Sat Oct 15—In Celebration of International Archeology Day:

9:30am McCreery Pueblo Hike

Location shared once signed up. Join an archeologist for a hike to a small pueblo with an impressive kiva occupied around 1100 AD. This special site is only open to the public via guided tour! Roundtrip hike is 1 ½ mi (2.4 km) on uneven ground. Allow 2 ½ hours total. Be prepared with water, snacks, hat, sunscreen, and sturdy hiking shoes. Hike limited to 15 people and reservations are required; contact Amy Schott (Amy_Schott@nps.gov, 928-524-6228 x233).

10am-3pm Archeology Exhibits & Expertise

Puerco Pueblo parking lot and trail. The park will have exhibits and displays regarding discoveries, current science, and hands-on activities for kids of all ages. Look for the large camouflage truck in the parking lot (it will be obvious) and step inside! In addition, an archeologist will be roving the Puerco Pueblo Trail during this time to provide enthusiasm, expertise, and informal tours.

11am & 1pm Petroglyph hike

Meet in Puerco Pueblo parking lot. In celebration of International Archeology Day, take a short hike with an archeologist below Puerco Pueblo to experience spectacular petroglyphs of the area. Roundtrip hike is ½ mi (.9 km). Be prepared with water, hat, sunscreen, and sunscreen. Allow 45 minutes.

1pm-3pm Archeologist at Newspaper Rock

An archeologist will rove Newspaper Rock Overlook to provide insight to the compelling petroglyphs found below.

Sat Oct 22 7am-Finish Petrified Forest Marathon/Half Marathon

Course runs through the park. This scenic marathon/half marathon through the beautiful Petrified Forest National Park is also a Boston Marathon qualifier event! An innovative partnership between the City of Holbrook and the National Park Service makes this opportunity possible. To register go to <http://www.petrifiedforestmarathon.com/>